

CITY OF LONG BEACH
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE
COMMISSION ON YOUTH AND CHILDREN
MINUTES
February 25, 2004

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Commission on Youth and Children was called to order by Rebecca Turrentine, Chair, at 5:05 p.m., in the large conference room at the Parks, Recreation and Marine Senior Center. Cynthia Fogg, Superintendent of Youth Services took roll call and confirmed a quorum.

Present: Pierre Batton, Vice Chair Marc Rothenberg
Elijah Bowdre Mary Soth
Greg Corbin Chelsii Summerville
Kate Levenstein Rebecca Turrentine, Chair
Jeanetta McAlpin Annie Ung
Jon Meyer Christopher Young
Lauren Perry
Alexis Peterson
Jessica Quintana

Absent: Sotheara Chhay (Excused Absence)
Chanel Suares (Excused Absence)
Jennifer To

Staff: Cynthia Fogg, Superintendent of Youth Services, Parks Recreation and Marine
Andrew Romero, Youth Specialist, Parks Recreation and Marine
Carmina Gonzalez, Clerk, Parks Recreation and Marine

Guests: Heather Mahood, Assistant City Attorney, City of Long Beach
Yolie Flores Aguilar, Executive Director, Los Angeles County Children's
Planning Council

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Commissioner Young and seconded by Commissioner Meyer to approve the January 28, 2004 Commission on Youth and Children minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

III. COMMENTS (PUBLIC)

There were no public comments.

IV. SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT TO THE COMMISSION

a. Form 700, Conflict of Interest:

b. Brown Act Process:

Commissioners were given a copy of the Form 700, Conflict of Interest. Heather Mahood, Assistant City Attorney, did a presentation where she went through the process of completing the form. She also went over some of the rules and exceptions of the Brown Act and how they apply to this Commission.

c. February 7th, Gang Summit:

Cynthia Fogg thanked the Commissioners who attended the Gang Summit and she pointed out that there was a public comments sheet (prepared by Cecile Harris-Walters) available, which listed everything that was said at the podium at the Gang Summit.

d. Youth Services NETWORK Newsletter:

Commissioners were notified that they will be receiving the NETWORK Newsletter every month and that one page of the newsletter will be dedicated to the Commission.

e. KFWB Interview:

A recording of the radio interview with KFWB and CYC Commissioners was played and Cynthia Fogg stated that the interviewer, Lori Calmen would check back with the CYC in the future.

V. COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS

04-04 Los Angeles County Children's Planning Council – Presentation on outcome areas and CPC scorecard:

Yolie Flores Aguilar, Executive Director of the Los Angeles County Children's Planning Council, gave a report on the process of determining the outcome areas that were used for the CPC scorecard. She also shared what some other cities have adopted from the CPC scorecard and how they have modified the outcome areas and determined which issues are more relevant in their cities. Ms. Aguilar stated that the CPC is available to support the City of Long Beach with collecting data and assisting in the process of creating a scorecard for Long Beach.

It was the staff recommendation that the CYC adopt the outcome areas as presented by the Los Angeles County Children's Planning Council for the purposes of collecting, maintaining and reporting Long Beach youth and children's data, and that the CYC consider creating a scorecard committee.

It was moved by Commissioner Corbin and seconded by Commissioner Soth to adopt the five CPC outcome areas and form a scorecard committee to include two youth and two adult members. It was moved by

Commissioner Quintana and seconded by Commissioner McAlpin to amend Commissioner Corbin's motion and have three youth members and three adult members on the scorecard committee. The motion carried unanimously. The floor was opened for nominations and the following commissioners were nominated: Mary Soth, Jessica Quintana, Gregory Corbin, Lauren Perry, Kate Levinstein and Alexis Peterson. Commissioner Turrentine called for a vote and the slate was approved unanimously.

VI. COMMITTEE STATUS REPORTS

a. Executive Committee:

Commissioner Turrentine, Chair, gave a report on February's Executive Committee meeting. She stated that the committee focused on reviewing the potential agenda items for the next CYC meeting and creating a draft of bylaws that would be brought to the CYC for consideration and recommendations.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

a. Draft letter from CYC members to City Council members regarding youth council formation and/or meeting schedules:

Cynthia Fogg stated that this letter was a result of the discussion from the last CYC meeting regarding the activity of the District Level Youth Council meetings. She said that the purpose of the letter is to encourage them to schedule a meeting with their district youth and ask them for a schedule of those meetings.

It was moved by Commissioner Rothenberg and seconded by Commissioner Din to approve the letter to City Council members regarding youth council formation and meeting schedules. The motion carried unanimously.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Discussion of CYC Meeting days, times and locations:

It was moved by Commissioner Corbin and seconded by Commissioner Batton to adopt the staff recommendation that the CYC meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. at the Senior Center, with the option to have special meeting locations from time to time. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Education and Youth Strategic Plan – Standing Item

There were no comments on this item.

c. District Level Youth Advisory Council – Calendar and Report – Standing Item

Commissioner Turrentine reported that she did attend the DLYAC meeting of District 3 and that they will continue to meet on Mondays prior to the CYC meetings. She stated that she plans to attend DLYAC meetings in each of the other council districts to represent the CYC and she encourages adult commissioners to attend in their own district as well. Cynthia Fogg stated that an effort should be made to encourage youth to attend these DLYAC meetings in their districts.

d. Discussion of appointments to Youth and Gang Violence Steering Committee:

It was moved and seconded to approve the memo to the Deputy City manager requesting confirmation of appointments to the Youth and Gang Violence Task Force, as agreed upon by the CYC at it's January 28th, meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Request for a letter of support for 21st Century Community Learning Center Grants:

Cynthia Fogg explained how Long Beach along with other organizations is working diligently with LBUSD to apply for the 21st Century funds.

It was moved by Commissioner Young and seconded by Commissioner Meyer to prepare a letter of support for the 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Appointment of Chair to EPC of the Youth Services NETWORK:

It was moved by Commissioner Batton and seconded by Commissioner Meyer to appoint the Chair of the CYC to the Executive Planning Committee of the Youth Services NETWORK. The motion carried unanimously.

X. COMMENTS

- STAFF:

A list of all CYC commissioners' emails was distributed.

Cynthia Fogg introduced Greg, a student at USC who is writing an article about the CYC in his journalism class. He requested that commissioners stay after the meeting to answer some questions for his article.

- COMMISSION

Commissioner Young stated that he would like to have as a potential agenda item, a presentation by Bryan Rogers who is the staff liaison for the Workforce Development

Board Youth Council. Commissioner Turrentine stated that the Executive Committee will review Commissioner Young's request.

XI. NEXT MEETING

Commissioner Turrentine stated that she would not be in attendance at the April CYC meeting due to a commitment made prior to her appointment to the CYC.

The next meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 24, 2004, in the large conference room #202 at the Parks, Recreation and Marine Senior Center, 1150 E. 4th Street, Long Beach.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Turrentine adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.